

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **H.3674, As Amended**

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TO:	The Honorable David Thomas, Chairman, Senate Banking and Insurance Committee		
FROM:	Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board		
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SUBJECT:	Health Care Financial Recovery and Protection Act		

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

A Cost to the General Fund (See Below)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

BILL SUMMARY:

The Bill would enact the "South Carolina Health Care Financial Recovery and Protection Act" to establish procedures for a health insurer to pay or reimburse a provider for health care services furnished by the provider and revises certain claim form numbers.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

The Department of Insurance indicates that Bill would require additional recurring General Funds of the State totaling \$159,840. This cost would cover salary and fringe benefits for Two (2.00) FTE positions (\$120,000), \$30,000 for temporary positions and operating expenses of \$9,840. These positions would be needed to investigate complaints, prepare and assimilate case files, perform analysis and conduct hearings on noncompliant insurers. One-time expenditures of \$10,150 would be needed to acquire computers, furnishings and phones.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

None.

Approved by:



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